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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination on the merits, and in response to the Office Action dated April 21, 2006, finally rejecting claims 2-6, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.